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In October 1842, Judah Delano bought a lot from his brother, just south of the Delano homestead and extending in a narrow strip between the new Plymouth road and the "way from Judah Alden's to Asa Delano's." These two roads became Tremont and Bow Streets.

On this small lot, less than a quarter acre, Judah built a house for Rebecca, his bride of a few months. It was a modern house, still close to the ground, one-storied, and low ceilinged, but without the central chimney that had formerly dictated cottage room arrangement. The door is at the corner of the gable end, opening into a hall with a stairway straight to the bedrooms under the eaves. This hall with a wide stair and fine hand rail was a touch of elegance in a small house.

Judah was a cordwainer, a shoemaker, and for a time he made shoes in the kitchen, then he built a shop in the back yard where he worked at his trade. He also had a barn, a hen house, and a garden, all on the small lot, a compact home and business combined.

Judah and Rebecca, with no children, lived on for forty two years in their cottage, feeling no need to add to the original house or to alter it. Then Judah died after a long illness, 80 years old, and as he had endowed Rebecca with all his worldly goods when he married her, so he left her all he died possessed of. He acknowledged four brothers and sisters, but bequeathed his entire estate to Rebecca and to her alone. It is significant that the will had been written 39 years earlier, only three years after Judah's marriage.

The widowed Rebecca could not manage alone and the next spring April, 1885, sold the property to Robert Cushman, "land and dwelling house and other buildings" for \$425. It was perhaps a hurried sale as the inventory a year before valued the place at \$500. Rebecca made her mark on the deed, either unable to write or too old to do so. Some changes have been made over the years but none that are disfiguring. The dormer windows are inconspicuous and the lean-to, and ell, probably somewhat enlarged, is in good proportion. The thick panelled front door, an architectural treasure, is the same that Rebecca opened for company. Judah Delano would recognize the house he built 130 years ago, in 1842. It is now the home of Robin Larkin and family.

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